



"A great net of mercy drawn through
an ocean of unspeakable pain"

Across the Seas They Call

ACROSS the seas from every war-torn nation in the Allied cause there comes the call for Red Cross help.

It comes from soldiers who have grimly faced the gleaming bayonet steel and poison gas and screaming shells, and who now lie with parching throats and throbbing wounds.

It comes from soldiers sick with fever, pneumonia, tuberculosis.

It comes from soldiers crippled, mutilated, blinded, who can no longer fight and must be taught and trained for useful occupations.

It comes from the underfed, shivering, helpless prisoners in the German prison camps.

It comes from little children, orphaned, homeless, slowly starving day by day, by tens and tens of thousands.

It comes from mothers in the pillaged zones of war whose hearts and souls have been made numb with horror.

From all these millions of suffering human beings there comes across the seas the call for help—help that because of the frightful burdens placed upon our Allies *cannot be given unless it be provided by the American Red Cross.*

Another hundred million is needed to "carry on."

What will America's answer be?

Every cent of every dollar received for the Red Cross War Fund goes for War Relief.

The American Red Cross is the largest and most efficient organization for the relief of suffering that the World has ever seen.

It is made up almost entirely of volunteer workers, the higher executives being without exception men accustomed to large affairs, who are in almost all cases giving their services without pay.

It is supported entirely by its membership fees and by voluntary contributions.

It is today bringing relief to suffering humanity, both military and civil, in every War torn allied country.

It plans tomorrow to help in the work of restoration throughout the world.

It feeds and clothes entire populations in times of great calamity.

It is there to help your soldier boy in his time of need.

With its thousands of workers, its tremendous stores and smooth running transportation facilities, it is serving as America's advance guard—and thus helping to win the war.

Congress authorizes it.

President Wilson heads it.

The War Department audits its accounts.

Your Army, your Navy and your Allies enthusiastically endorse it.

Twenty-two million Americans have joined it.